

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES MINING SECTION

Public Participation Opportunities Request for Public Comments Draft Permit Actions

February 3, 2016

Public Notice: M2016-02 Last Day to Comment: March 7, 2016

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public of the following draft environmental permits and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the potential impact of the proposed activities on human health and the environment. The draft permits are available on the Division's *Data Viewer* at the web address: http://environment-online.state.tn.us:8080/pls/enf_reports/f?p=9034:34001:23120917040737.

The Division has made the determination that the following NPDES permit applications are complete as required by Rule 0400-40-03-.06(1)(c).

Individual NPDES Permits

Coal Modification/Reissuances

Applicant Green Pilgrim LLC

Facility Jordan Ridge Coal Refuse Storage Area

Permit Number TN0062961 Permit Writer Initials DAT Discharge Rating Minor

County Scott EFO Name Knoxville

Street Address Shea Road

City and Zip Code Smoky Junction 37756

Description of Activity Bituminous Coal Refuse Area

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

and Cross Creek

Facility Location Latitude 36.285 Longitude 84.34667

Applicant **Premium Coal Company Inc.**

Facility **Mine 3**

Permit Number TN0079294 Permit Writer Initials DAT Discharge Rating Minor

County Anderson EFO Name Knoxville

Street Address Highway 116 Buffalo Mountain

City and Zip Code Rosedale 37769

Description of Activity Bituminous Coal Surface Mining
Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Receiving Streams Charley's Branch, Wet weather conveyances to Charley's Branch and Wolfpen Branch

Facility Location Latitude 36.183611 Longitude 84.315278

Non Coal Issuances

Applicant Montes Stone Products LLC

Facility Blain Smith Road Quarry

Permit Number TN0069981 Permit Writer Initials MES Discharge Rating Minor

County Bledsoe EFO Name Chattanooga

Street Address Blain Smith Road

City and Zip Code Pikeville 37367

Description of Activity Dimension Stone Quarry

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Receiving Stream Rock Creek

Facility Location Latitude 35.413056 Longitude 85.222222

Comment A Notice of Determination of No Degradation (NOD) was issued on January 27, 2016.

Applicant Wilkerson Creek Quarry

Facility Quarry No. 1

Permit Number TN0070017 Permit Writer Initials DPL Discharge Rating Minor

County Cumberland EFO Name Cookeville

Street Address Mayland Road

City and Zip Code Pleasant Hill 38578

Description of Activity Dimension Stone Quarry

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Receiving Stream Wilkerson Creek

Facility Location Latitude 35.9829 Longitude 85.1900

Comment A Notice of Determination (NOD) of no degradation was issued on February 3, 2016.

Non Coal Reissuance

Applicant Gleason Clay Company LLC

Facility Pit 7

Permit Number TN0045501 Permit Writer Initials JIF Discharge Rating Minor

County Carroll EFO Name Jackson

Street Address 5110 Old SR 22

City and Zip Code Gleason 38229

Description of Activity Ball Clay Mining

Receiving Stream Unnamed tributary to Cane Creek

Facility Location Latitude 35.873361 Longitude 88.452858

Non Coal Modification/Reissuance

Applicant Lankford Excavating Company

Facility Lankford Resources Quarry

Permit Number TN0069523 Permit Writer Initials JIF Discharge Rating Minor

County **Dickson** EFO Name **Nashville**

Street Address 152 Lime Kiln Road

City and Zip Code Burns 37029

Description of Activity Limestone: Crushed and Broken Quarrying

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Receiving Streams Beaverdam Creek, Billy Richardson Branch

Facility Location Latitude 36.044722 Longitude 87.318056

Non-Coal Revocation and Reissuance/Modification

Applicant H. C. Spinks Clay Company Inc.

dba Lhoist North America

Facility Mine 34 - Orr

Permit Number TN0079774 Permit Writer Initials JIF Discharge Rating Minor

County Carroll EFO Name Jackson

Street Address 8500 Purdy Road City and Zip Code Clarksburg 38324

Description of Activity Ball Clay Mining

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Location Latitude 35.882236 Longitude 88.447736

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How to Comment:

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) is requesting public comments on the permit actions. Obtaining a broad range of facts and opinions on Agency actions is one of the best ways to ensure quality decisions. Persons wishing to comment on the proposed actions may submit comments in writing to the Mining Section at the Knoxville Environmental Field Office, Attn: Public Notice Coordinator; by fax (865) 594-6105; or by e-mail Gary.Mullins@tn.gov. The Division must receive your comments before the close of the comment period (see page 1).

How to Request a Public Hearing:

Interested persons may request in writing that the Director of the Division of Water Resources hold a public hearing on any application. The Division must receive your request before the close of the comment period. You must indicate the interest of the party filing it and the reasons for the hearing. When there is significant public interest for a hearing, the Division will hold a hearing in accordance with *Rule 0400-40-05-.06 (12)*. A separate public notice will announce the public hearing.

How the Department Will Proceed:

The Director of the Division of Water Resources will determine the final permit action after considering comments submitted during the comment period, the hearing record, if any, and the requirements of Federal and State acts and regulations.

To Obtain Permit Details:

Draft permits contain Antidegradation Determinations and Rationales that address information concerning the foundation for the Division's decisions. Copies of the applications, draft permits, and supporting documentation are in the permit files maintained at the Knoxville Environmental Field Office, Mining Section. There is a nominal fee for copying. The files are available for public inspection during normal visiting hours. Please email Kara.Blevins@tn.gov or call (865) 594-5460 to schedule an appointment for the review.

State of Tennessee Antidegradation Policy

Tennessee's Antidegradation Statement is in *Rule 0400-40-03-.06* of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. The primary purpose of the Antidegradation Policy is to establish a greater level of protection for high quality waters. Some high quality waters are in near-pristine condition. Others are determined to be high quality due to specialized uses and/or unique features.

Generally, there are two types of high quality waters. Outstanding National Resource Waters (ONRWs) receive the greatest level of protection. The Board of Water Quality, Oil and Gas designate these waters. New discharges or expansion of existing discharges cannot degrade existing water quality.

The Department identifies other high quality waters known as Exceptional Tennessee Water (ETW) and protects against their degradation. The Department may allow some degradation if the Department deems it economically and socially necessary.

Non-Exceptional Tennessee Water refers to surface waters that do not have the identification and/or designation as high quality. These waters must achieve and maintain Tennessee's Water Quality Standards.

State of Tennessee Policy of Non-Discrimination

Pursuant to the State of Tennessee's policy of non-discrimination, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, or military service in its policies, or in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its programs, services or activities. You may direct any Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative

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